

## Highlights

### ***Expenditures By Category:***

The chart below shows a comparison of General Fund expenditures by expenditure category for FY 11-12 Actual Expenditures, the FY 12-13 Amended Budget, the FY 13-14 Adopted and FY 14-15 Projected Budgets.

#### **General Fund Expenditures by Expenditure Category**

	2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Budget	<b>2013-14 Adopted</b>	2014-15 Projected
Personnel Costs	147,884,076	151,557,465	<b>154,569,614</b>	161,810,674
Maintenance & Operations	80,499,245	87,526,156	<b>81,370,459</b>	80,940,608
Debt Service	17,068,470	17,341,880	<b>17,515,250</b>	17,515,250
Capital Outlay	81,923	278,300	<b>24,000</b>	25,200
Total	245,533,714	256,703,801	<b>253,479,323</b>	260,291,732

The Adopted General Fund Budget projects a \$3.0 million, or 2.0%, increase in budgeted personnel costs. The fund shows a net increase of about seventeen (17) FTE positions, including thirty (30) Police Patrol positions moved to the General Fund as federal funding expires. The FY 13-14 budget includes the elimination of approximately fourteen (14) FTE positions associated with a variety of budget reductions. These reductions are detailed on the appropriate departmental budget pages and include reductions in Planning, Transportation, Parks and Recreation and Police (seasonal temporary School Crossing Guard positions). The budget also recognizes 16.5 FTE positions deleted in Parks and Recreation associated with Guilford County resuming operations responsibility for Hagan-Stone and Bur-Mil Parks as of January 2013. The budget includes funds for a merit pay adjustment that would average 1.5% for employees.

Maintenance and operations (m/o) expenditures, including transfers to other funds, are budgeted at \$81.4 million, about \$6.2 million, or 7.0%, below the current year budget.

The FY 12-13 budget included several unique items that were added to the m/o category budget during the year, such as a \$1.67 million transfer of funds for the purchase of the YWCA downtown property. Controlling for these unique expenditures, the FY 13-14 m/o budget would still

be about \$4.2 million below current year. As part of overall efforts to reduce the budget and maintain a steady tax rate, the Equipment Services Fund has reduced in internal charges assessed to departments for vehicle leases. The General Fund will experience a savings of about \$1.8 million. The maintenance and operations portion of additional service reductions included in the adopted budget amount to another \$1.6 million in budget savings. The specific reductions are discussed in greater detail in departmental budget pages.

The General Fund contribution to the Solid Waste Management Fund decreases from \$3.19 million to \$2.46 million, a savings of \$725,000 for the General Fund. The General Fund contribution to the Coliseum Fund will increase from \$1.90 million to \$2.215 million, an increase of \$315,000.

General Fund contributions to the Debt Service Fund will increase from \$17.34 million to \$17.51 million.

The FY 14-15 Projected Budget is \$6.8 million, or 2.7%, higher than the Adopted FY 13-14 Budget. The projected year two budget includes funding for an additional Fire company for East Greensboro and a full year's funding for the Northeast Branch Library, which will open during FY 13-14.